

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add the following new claims:

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12. (Original) A method of alleviating or reducing pain in a mammal that comprises providing an effective amount of an extract obtained from an anthocyanin-containing plant to a mammal in need thereof.

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13. (Original) The method of Claim 12 wherein the anthocyanin-containing plant is selected from the group consisting of acerola, bilberry, black currant, black beans, black raspberry, black soybeans, blackberry, blueberry, boysenberry, carrot (purple), chokeberry, cranberry, echinacea, elderberry, grapes, hibiscus, loganberry, plum, pomegranate, potatoes (black, blue and purple), red cabbage, red currant, red raspberry, strawberry, sweet cherry, tart (sour) cherry and mixtures thereof.

14. (Original) The method of Claim 12 wherein the anthocyanin-containing plant is selected from the group consisting of bilberry, black raspberry, boysenberry, chokeberry, elderberry, tart cherry, and mixtures thereof.

15. (Original) The method of Claim 12 wherein the anthocyanin-containing plant is selected from the group consisting of barberry, black bean, blackberry (American), blackberry (European), black currant, black soybean, blueberry, hibiscus, loganberry, red currant, red raspberry, sweet cherry, and mixtures thereof.

16. (Original) The method of Claim 12 wherein the anthocyanin-containing plant is selected from the group consisting of acerola, black grapes, black potatoes, cranberry (American), cranberry (European), echinacea, plum, pomegranate, purple carrot, red cabbage, strawberry, and mixtures thereof.

17. (Original) The method of Claim 12 wherein the anthocyanin-containing plant is selected from the group consisting of bilberry, elderberry, tart cherry, and mixtures thereof.

18. (Original) The method of Claim 13 wherein the tart cherry is of the Balaton variety.

19. (Original) The method of Claim 13 wherein the tart cherry is of the Montmorency variety.

20. (Original) A method of alleviating or reducing a symptom of pain in a mammal that comprises providing an effective amount of an extract obtained from an anthocyanin-containing plant to a mammal in need thereof.

21. (Original) The method of claim 20 wherein the symptom of pain is selected from the group consisting of arthritis, dysmenorrhea, headache, joint pain, muscular pain, osteoarthritis, and combinations thereof.

22. (Original) The method of claim 20 wherein the anthocyanin-containing plant is elderberry.

23. (Original) A method of alleviating or reducing pain in a mammal that comprises providing an effective amount of an anthocyanin extract extracted from an anthocyanin-containing plant to a mammal that is experiencing pain, wherein the extract comprises at least one anthocyanin selected from the group consisting of cyanidin-3-glucoside, cyanidin-3,5-diglucoside, cyanidin-3-sambubioside, cyanidin-3-sambubioside-5-glucoside, cyanidin-3-galactoside, cyanidin-3-rutinoside, cyanidin-3-glucosylrutinoside, cyanidin-3-sophoroside, cyanidin-3-arabinoside, cyanidin-3-xyloside, peonidin-3-rutinoside, and mixtures thereof, and wherein the extract is substantially free of anthocyanidins.

24. (Original) The method of Claim 23 wherein the extract comprises at least one anthocyanin selected from the group consisting of cyanidin-3-glucoside, cyanidin-3,5-diglucoside, cyanidin-3-glucosyl rutinoside, cyanidin-3-sambubioside, cyanidin-3-sambubioside-5-glucoside,

25. (Original) The method of Claim 23 wherein the extract comprises at least one anthocyanin selected from the group consisting of cyanidin-3-glucoside, cyanidin-3-rutinoside, cyanidin-3-glucosylrutinoside, cyanidin-3-sophoroside, peonidin-3-rutinoside, and mixtures thereof.

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26. (Original) The method of Claim 23 wherein the extract comprises at least one anthocyanin selected from the group consisting of cyanidin-3 glucoside, cyanidin-3 galactoside and mixtures thereof.

27. (Original) The method of Claim 23 wherein the extract comprises at least one anthocyanin selected from the group consisting of cyanidin-3 glucoside, cyanidin-3 galactoside, cyanidin-3 arabinoside, cyanidin-3 xyloside, and mixtures thereof.

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57. (New) The method of Claim 12 wherein the anthocyanin-containing plant is mixture comprising bilberry, elderberry, and tart cherry.

58. (New) The method of Claim 12 wherein the anthocyanin-containing plant is mixture comprising elderberry and tart cherry.

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59. (New) The method of Claim 20 wherein the anthocyanin-containing plant is mixture comprising bilberry, elderberry, and tart cherry.

60. (New) The method of Claim 20 wherein the anthocyanin-containing plant is mixture comprising elderberry and tart cherry.

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Please cancel claims 1-11 and 28 through 56.